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FM AMEMBASSY BANGUI
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5453
AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM
AMEMBASSY KINSHASA
AMEMBASSY NAIROBI
AMCONSUL LUANDA

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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF OVERLAND TOURISTS

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1. SITUATION REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF ZAIRIAN VISAS IN BANGUI APPEARS TO BE LESS FAVORABLE THAN REPORTED REFTEL. NO VISAS HAVE BEEN ISSUED HERE DURING PAST TWO WEEKS. ALTHOUGH ZAIRIAN EMBASSY CONTINUES TO PROCESS APPLICATIONS AND FORWARD NAMES TO KINSHASA, NONE HAVE AS YET BEEN CLEARED ACCORDING TO EMBASSY OFFICIALS.

2. DISCOURAGED OVERLAND TOURISTS CONSEQUENTLY SEARCHING FOR ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA. AMCIT TOURISTS HAVE ASKED BANGUI ASSISTANCE OBTAINING ANY INFORMATION ADDRESSEES MAY HAVE ON FOLLOWING ROUTES.

A. POINTE NOIRE, CONGO TO LUANDA, ANGOLA BY SHIP. FREQUENCY OF SAILINGS AND ACCEPTANCE OF BOTH PASSENGERS AND VEHICLES.

B. FROM CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC TO SOUTHERN
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SUDAN TO EITHER UGANDA OR KENYA, INCLUDING ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SUDAN, VISA AVAILABILITY AT BOTH UGANDAN

AND KENYAN BORDERS, POSSIBILITY OF CROSSING DIRECT FROM
SUDAN TO KENYA.

3. EMBASSY FULLY AWARE USG POLICY TO DISCOURAGE TRAVEL OF
AMCITS TO UGANDA AND EMBASSY COUNSELS TRAVELERS
ACCORDINGLY. NONETHELESS, IF TRANSIT OF ZAIRE REMAINS
IMPOSSIBLE, WE FORESEE INCREASED UTILIZATION OF UGANDAN
ROUTE.
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